

Highlights of STD Prevention Partnership Accomplishments: 1998

- Preparation and publication of new brochure: *STD Services: An Essential Intervention to Prevent HIV Infection*
- Publication and fax distribution to full membership of 3 issues of *STD Factline*, a publication that summarizes in one page an STD-related journal article that may be helpful to members and their constituencies
- Initiation of **STD Notepad project** in an effort to offer one response to the need to increase dialogue between doctors and their patients about STDs, especially young women
- Developed proposal to Ford Foundation for **Local STD Prevention Action Collaboratives**, intended to promote partnerships between community-based organizations and health departments, with an emphasis on innovative primary prevention. Four demonstration sites are to be proposed for participation. Funding for Phase I of this project was awarded @ \$235,748.¹
- Developed proposal to Ford Foundation (in same document as Local STD Prevention Action Collaboratives) for **National Organization Sexual Health Conversation Project**.² In addition, proposal for evaluation component of this same project was developed and submitted to CDC for funding. The project is intended to
 - S Increase the amount of conversation related to sexual health-related issues in national organizations that are concerned about persons who are at high risk for adverse health consequences of unprotected sex (e.g., STDs, HIV, unplanned pregnancy);
 - S Initiate an effort to change organizational norms related to sexual health among national organizations that belong to the STD Prevention Partnership; and
 - S Test the likelihood that a national partnership can catalyze organizational norm change among its individual members.

Ford Foundation awarded \$90,000 to AED for the project and CDC awarded \$50,000 to MACRO International for evaluation of the project. Through an oversight committee, 3 national organizations were selected to participate in the project: NAACP, NEA, and YWCA of the USA.

¹System for selection of fiduciary was developed by Steering committee resulting in selection of Academy for Educational Development as fiduciary for Ford Foundation grant.

²Ibid.

- Leadership retreat that resulted in process to re-organize structure of STD Prevention Partnership in effort to make organization more functional and easier for participating organizations to find an appropriate role. **Amended Standard Operating Procedures** were adopted by membership in November 1998 reflecting new structure.
- **Presentations** related to Partnership activities at national meetings (examples -- 1998 APHA National Meeting, 1998 National STD Prevention Conference)
- **Representation** on several national STD consultations and planning efforts (examples -- 1998 National STD Prevention Conference; Healthy People 2000 Briefing on STD Prevention with Surgeon General; National STD Action Forum)
- **New member organizations:**
 - American Medical Women's Association -- Linda Fisher, MD
 - National Asian Women's Health Organization -- Mary Chung
- **New organizational representatives:**
 - American Academy of Pediatrics -- Gale Burstein, MD, MPH
 - American Public Health Association -- Barbara Hatcher
 - Association of State and Territorial Health Officials -- Christina Singleton
 - National Association of People with AIDS -- Terje Anderson
 - National Council of La Raza -- Ruth Roman
 - National Medical Association -- Deborah Smith, MD, MPH
 - National Network of STD/HIV Prevention Training Centers -- Terry Hogan
 - Society for Adolescent Medicine -- Kathy Woodward, MD